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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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JANNIE PILGRIM, GIOVANNA HENSON, JESAN SPENCER, BRENDA CURTIS,

: DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO

Plaintiffs, : **PROTECT THE DATES OF JULY 14,**

: 2008 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2008: WITH RESPECT TO THE FINAL

Civil Action No: 07-6618 (CM) (AJP)

PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE

,

against

THE MCGRAW-HILL COMPANIES, INC.,

Defendant.

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Defendant, The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., by and through its attorneys, hereby requests that the Final Pre-Trial Conference in this matter not be scheduled prior to September of 2008. The reason for this request is that Gregory I. Rasin, Esq., lead counsel for Defendant, will undergo a surgical procedure on July 14, 2008. It is anticipated that Mr. Rasin will be in the hospital for up to one week. Mr. Rasin has been advised by his doctors that thereafter he will have to recuperate at home for at least another week. Mr. Rasin has further been advised by his doctors that through the end of August it is unlikely that he will be able to work full time or on a regular basis.

WHEREFORE, Defendant respectfully requests that its motion be granted.

Dated: New York, New York

July 11, 2008

Respectfully Submitted

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